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SUBJECT: PERSONNEL SHIFT AT MINISTRY OF LABOR

REF: TOKYO 9655

1. MINISTRY OF LABOR HAS ANNOUNCED THAT FOLLOWING MINISTER FUJII'S RETURN FROM THE ILO GENERAL CONFERENCE AND THE U.S., ADMINISTRATIVE VICE MINISTER FUJINAWA WILL RETIRE FROM THE MINISTRY AND WILL BE SUCCEDED BY TOSHIO KITAGAWA, CURRENTLY DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE LABOR POLICY BUREAU. KITAGAWA IN TURN WILL BE REPLACED BY KEIICHI KUWABARA, THE PRESENT DIRECTOR OF THE LABOR STANDARDS BUREAU.

2. KITAGAWA, BORN IN KYOTO, IS 54 YEARS OLD, GRADUATED FROM TOKYO UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, AND ENTERED THE LABOR MINISTRY IN 1948. HE HAS SERVED AS CHIEF OF THE TRADE UNION SECTION (THE MINISTRY'S RESEARCH AND INTELLIGENCE OPERATION), DIRECTOR OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY DIVISION OF THE LABOR STANDARDS BUREAU, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE CENTRAL LABOR RELATIONS COMMISSION, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE EMPLOYMENT SECURITY BUREAU AND, CURRENTLY, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF THE LABOR POLICY BUREAU. HE WAS THE RECIPIENT OF A USG INTERNATIONAL VISITORS GRANT AND SPENT 30 DAYS UNCLASSIFIED

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IN THE UNITED STATES IN 1968. ALTHOUGH HE SPEAKS VERY LITTLE ENGLISH, HE HAS BEEN CONSISTENTLY FRIENDLY AND HELPFUL TO EMBASSY OFFICERS AND USG VISITORS.

3. BIO DATA ON KUWABARA, WHO WILL ACCOMPANY MINISTER FUJII TO WASHINGTON, IS FOUND IN REFTEL. MANSFIELD

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